

Amendments to the Drawings:

Attached are Replacement Sheets 1/8 and 2/8 which have been amended to correct noted informalities.

Figure 2 has been amended so as to no longer show the first iteration only, see its legend before amendment, but to also show the feedback in subsequent iterations.

Attachments:

Replacement Sheets 1/8, 2/8

REMARKS

Status of Claims

Claim 9 has been objected to due to some wording informalities.

Claims 1 and 10 have been rejected under 35 USC 112 for insufficient antecedent basis in some claim terms.

Claims 1, 6, 7, and 10 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Seshadri in view of Ling.

Claim 2 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Seshadri in view of Ling in further view of Gupta.

Claims 4 and 5 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Seshadri in view of Ling in further view of Applicant's Admitted Prior Art.

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Simon in view of Cameron.

The Examiner has objected to claims 3 and 8 as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but indicated that such claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Comments on claims

Claim 1

Amended claim 1 is a combination of previous claims 1,8. As it requires the features of claim 8, amended claim 1 is believed essentially in accordance with the Examiner's indication as to allowable subject matter.

Claim 1 has also been amended to address the 35 USC 112 rejection.

Dependent Claims 2-6, 7

These claims 2-6, 7 are patentable not least on the basis that they each depend on an allowable independent amended claim 1.

Claims 8 and 9

Claims 8 and 9 are canceled.

Claim 10

Claim 10 is a method claim amended in accordance with apparatus claim 1, so believed patentable on like basis. Amended claim 10 requires the features of previous claim 8.

Claim 10 has also been amended to address the 35 USC 112 rejections.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, allowance of all the claims presently in the application is respectfully requested, as is passage to issuance of the application. If the Examiner should feel that the application is not yet in a condition for allowance and that a telephone interview would be useful, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at **973 386 3147**.

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Attachments:

2 Sheets of Replacement Drawings

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